

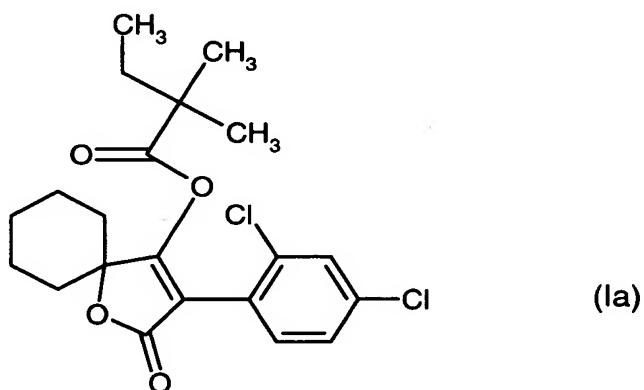
Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings, of claims in the application:

Claims 1-2, 5, 8 (cancelled)

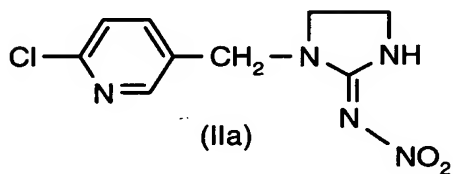
3. (Currently Amended) A composition, comprising a synergistically effective mixture of:

a) a cyclic ketoenol compound of the Formula (Ia)

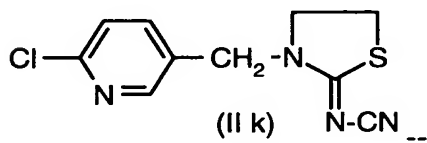


and

--b) an agonist or antagonist of the nicotinic acetylcholine receptor which agonist or antagonist is a compound of formula IIa



or a compound of formula IIk.



~~[a member selected from the group consisting of one or more agonists of nicotinic acetylcholine receptors and one or more antagonists of nicotinic acetylcholine receptors].~~

4. (Currently Amended) A composition according to [any one of] Claim[s 1, 2 or] 3, wherein said cyclic ketoenol compound and either said agonist or said antagonist of nicotinic acetylcholine receptors, respectively, are present in a ratio of from 1:100 to 100:1.
6. (Currently Amended) A method for controlling ~~[animal]~~ insects ~~[pests selected from the group consisting of insects, arachnids, nematodes and combinations thereof]~~ encountered in agriculture comprising ~~[the step of]~~ applying the composition of ~~[any one of]~~ Claim[s 1, 2,] 3 ~~[or 4 to a member selected from the group consisting of a habitat of said animal pests, said animal pests and combinations thereof]~~ to a habitat of the insects, the insects or combinations thereof.
7. (Currently Amended) A process for preparing a pesticide comprising the step of mixing:
- a) the composition according to [any one of] Claim[s 1, 2,] 3 or 4; with
 - b) a member selected from the group consisting of an extender, a surfactant, and combinations thereof.
9. (New) A method for controlling sucking insect pests in or on crop plants by applying a composition as described in Claim 3 to the crop plant or the habitat from which it grows.
10. (New) The method of Claim 9 wherein the sucking insect pest is a pest of the order Homoptera.
11. (New) The method of Claim 10 wherein the sucking pest is *Aphis gossypii* or *Myzus persicae*.